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Construction of Uni-Directionally Cloned cDNA Libraries From Messenger RNA for Improved 3' end

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## **AMENDMENTS**

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following paragraph after the title and before the paragraph entitled Field of Invention.

## -- Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application is a divisional of prior U.S. patent application serial no. 09/549,770, filed April 45 Patent No. 6, 387, 624 14, 2000, now/pending. -

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-17 without prejudice. Please replace claims 1-10 with claims 1-10 below. No claims are amended.

18 1. A method for obtaining a DNA complementary to a mRNA, the method comprising: contacting the mRNA having a polyadenosine (polyA) tail with a primer mixture, the mixture comprising a plurality of primers wherein each primer comprises at least 5 contiguous